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Offices to let up stairs. dec5-3mo

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A Merry Christmas
and
A Happy New Year.

We wish all our customers a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, and hope they will enjoy many of them in our beautiful City of Victoria, and continue to patronize the leading Clothing Store.

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The Exhibition will Continue until Monday.

ROBT. PORTER.
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WANTS.

WANTED—Room with board, by a young gentleman. James Bay preferred. Apply T. H. A., THIS OFFICE. dec19-3t

WANTED—A Servant Girl—in a family of three. Wages $15 per month. Apply to Mrs. Caton, Kingston st., James Bay. dec13-2w

SITUATION WANTED—by young man from England, age 21; strong and healthy, accustomed to hard work and office routine. Good references, Salary no consideration for a good situation. Address Mr. Begg, care of Mr. Herd, 51 Maclure street, Victoria. dec13-1w

WANTED—by gentleman and wife (no children)—furnished bedroom and sitting room, with use of kitchen, Address P. O. Box 277. nov20

SITUATION WANTED—A young lady who has been three years in her present situation in Bradstreet's, as type writer and short-hand writer, wishes to hear of a situation in Victoria. Address A. L. C., COLONIST Office. dec16-1w

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Five Cents per Pound
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MUNICIPAL NOTICE!

ALL PERSONS having claims against the Corporation are requested to present them on or before the 31st instant. If not so presented, they will have to stand over until February, 1889.

Printed Vouchers may be obtained on application at the City Hall.
S. DUCK,
dec22 Treasurer.

TENDERS.

TENDERS ADDRESSED TO THE UNDERSIGNED will be received up to noon of Saturday the 22nd inst., for the privilege of selling Refreshments at the forthcoming Dog and Poultry Show.
dec20 G. A. PERRIN.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

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A GOOD HOUSE AND OTHER BUILDINGS and 3,000 Rails thereon. For further particulars apply J. T. Hollins, 150 View street, or W. R. Clarke, Auctioneer. dec25-4t

County Court of Victoria.
THIS COURT WILL SIT ON THE THIRD January, 1889, not for the hearing of any cases, but only to adjourn till 7th January, 1889. dec25

NOTICE.

ALL PERSONS CLAIMING EXEMPTION from Jury duty, under the Jurors' Act, 1883, are requested to send their names and grounds of exemption to the undersigned, on or before the 7th day of January, 1889.
J. C. PREVOST,
Registrar.
Victoria, 24th Dec., 1888. dec25

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—FOR THE BEST—
Sheffield Cutlery
OF ALL KINDS,
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Bankrupt Stock,
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Monday, Jan. 7th, 1889,
At Salesroom, Wharf Street.
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—AND—
New Year's
PRESENTS!
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A WANT SUPPLIED.
MR. JAMES ALLISON, THE PROPRIETOR of the CALEDONIA DYE WORKS, has taken into partnership W. J. Leishman, a practical Tailor, late from the east. This will allow Mr. Allison to give his entire attention to the Dye works in the rear, while Mr. Leishman will attend to customers in the front room. The finest of Tailoring and Repairing will be done in the future at the works. nov17-6mos

CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS.

Houses of Worship Rendered Beautiful by the Deft Fingers of the Lady Members.

CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL.

The decorations this year have been effected, as usual, by a committee of zealous ladies of the parish, and reflect great credit upon their taste, though necessarily less elaborate than usual owing to the shortness of time at their disposal. The rood-screen, consisting of a fret of laurel and japonica, surrounded by the text, "The Word was made flesh and dwelt among us," was designed and carried out by Miss Crease. The pulpit in panels of moss bordered by holly, with designs in scarlet berries, is by Mrs. Berkeley and the Misses Ward. The font has been beautifully decorated by Mrs. H. Kent and Mrs. Philip Johnson, the altar rails, wreaths of ivy and scarlet berries, by Miss Nelson, and the choir stalls by the Misses Drake. The chancel has been permanently re-decorated and the reredos regilded, very effectively, by Mr. Lettice. We understand the entire church is shortly to be completed in the same style. The pillars and windows have been tastefully wreathed with ivy and fir by the choir boys, Masters Johnston, Kurtz, Berkeley and Carter. The following is the Xmas music at 11 o'clock service:—

Process. Hymn—"Christians Awake."
Te Deum and Jubilato—Jackson in F.
Anthem, (Solo and Full Chorus,)—"Behold I Bring You Glad Tidings."
Hymns—"Oh! Come all ye Faithful," and "Hark the Herald Angels."
Dr. Stainer's Sevenfold Amen.

ST. ANDREW'S R. C. CATHEDRAL.

The decorations in St. Andrew's Cathedral are confined to the sanctuary, the work being done by Mrs. A. E. B. Davie, Mrs. T. J. Burnes, Miss Skinner, Miss McDowell and Miss McNiffe. One of the side altars have been removed, and in its place is a representation of the rustic stable at Bethlehem, with the infant Jesus in the crib, and the shepherds adoring. The group are surrounded by a profusion of cedar boughs, and the scene is illuminated by wax candles. The main altar is beautifully dressed with flowers, ferns, grasses and scores of candles, which, when illuminated make it a dazzling blaze of light. Holly, berries, mosses and grasses are also used in decorating the altar on the right-hand side, the entire sanctuary being prettily dressed and presenting a very pleasing effect. Christmas was ushered in last night at 12 o'clock by the celebration of a solemn high mass, Rev. Father Mandart being celebrant. The sacred edifice was crowded with worshippers, and the music was of a high order, being under the leadership of Mr. E. A. McQuade. Rev. Father Le Terme delivered a sermon appropriate to the festival, the ceremonies being brought to a close by the choir singing the beautiful Christmas hymn, "Adeste Fideles." Mass will also be celebrated at break of day, at 8 a.m., and at 10:30 a.m., and the usual vespers will be sung at 7 p.m.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH.

As each succeeding Christmas comes round with its happiness and merriment, its good feeling and good cheer, the churches are by loving hands converted into leafy bowers, where the dark green foliage of the holly and the pine are twined together, and their woodland fragrance rises as nature's own incense to the throne of Him who was born on that first Christmas Day. St. John's Church is one of the most pleasant sights to be seen in Victoria on Christmas morning. The ladies have always been ready and willing to lend their services in beautifying the interior of the pretty little church, and this year their efforts have made the temple particularly beautiful; the festoons of laurel, holly and pines being arranged in so artistic a manner as to at once claim the attention and win the admiration, by the novel and graceful arrangements. At the back of the chancel four shields of crimson cloth, to match the new hangings, proclaim the glad tidings that Christ came to tell. The chancel is hung with festoons of laurel, pine and holly, tastefully intertwined. The new pulpit of oak and mahogany, seen for the first time by the congregation on Sunday last, is also draped with laurel, while the rails and the sides of the church are draped with green, harmonizing with the other decorations. Ths arches and pillars, chandeliers and font, are wreathed and festooned with laurel, holly and native pine; the windows are decked with fragrant green, with a neatly framed text under each; and everywhere the work of the decorators charms the eye, by its artistic grace and holiday cheerfulness.

REFORMED EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

The Christmas decorations at this church were entrusted to Mrs. W. J. Macdonald, Mrs. Dennis Harris, Mrs. Hicks, Mrs. Young, the Misses Macdonald, Miss Cridge, Miss Higgins, Miss Langley, Miss Pemberton and others; and right well have they completed their tasteful task. All the door and window casings are fringed with evergreen, the window sills being converted into banks of moss, ornamented with sprigs of holly and tiny bunches of scarlet berries. No little skill has been displayed on the pulpit and font. The ground-work is snow-white, heavily frosted, with neat trimming of holly, cedar and scarlet berries, in the centre of the front panel of the pulpit being the words "Peace on earth," the letters formed of evergreen. Great taste, also, has been evinced in the arrangement of sprays of holly, bunches of scarlet berries and choice mosses and grasses on the reading desk. The choir stalls are set off with a neat network of bright green, the chancel rails, lectern, and reredos being similarly adorned. In front of the chancel an ornamental screen has been erected, which is covered with evergreen, bunches of bright scarlet berries being placed at intervals, the whole making a very pretty picture, and being creditable in the highest degree to the ladies and to Mr. Hargreaves and other gentlemen, who rendered valuable assistance.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH.

Simplicity and quiet elegance are the characteristics of the decorations at St. James' Church. In quantity, perhaps, St. James' is a little behind, but the unusual beauty of the floral display cannot fail to be marked by all. Two large and magnificent boquets, in which Cala lilies are prominent, are placed upon the altar, while the altar rail, the walls and the seats in the chancel, are festooned with bright green foliage, in which might be seen the bright scarlet berries of the holly and the mountain ash. The lectern and reading desk are tastefully decorated in the same manner, as well as the chandeliers and windows in the body of the church. The font is literally one mass of beautiful flowers and twining ivy, Cala lilies and chrysanthemums forming the principal portion of the beautiful flower piece. The decorations harmonize throughout, and the little church presents a very pretty picture this Christmas morning.

Our line of Accordeons this season, surpasses anything of the kind seen here before. Waitt & Co. *

CABLE NEWS.

Prorogation of Parliament—Text of the Queen's Speech Read in the House of Lords.

Information of Stanley's Safety Received from Reliable Sources—En Route to the Coast.

Bismarck Pleased With the Victory at Suakin—Double Calamity in a French Town.

Parliament Prorogued.

LONDON, Dec. 24.—Parliament prorogued to-day till January 31st. The members of both houses assembled in the house of lords, where the Queen's speech was read. The speech declared England's foreign relations continued friendly. It expressed regret that the fisheries convention with the United States had not commended itself to the judgment of the American senate. The speech continued: "Temporary arrangements, however, which have been adopted, will, I trust, prevent any immediate inconvenience arising from this decision. The convention for the abolition of sugar bounties has been signed by representatives of most of the sugar-producing countries." Referring to the attempt of the Soudanese to possess themselves of Suakin, the speech says: "The besieging forces were dispersed by a brilliant military operation in which the Egyptian forces were supported by the British contingent. Aside from the trouble at Suakin, the administration and economical progress of Egypt are satisfactory. An insurrection prevails in the dominions of the Sultan of Zanzibar, which is largely due to the renewed vigor with which the slave traffic is carried on. I have joined the Emperor of Germany in establishing a naval blockade in Zanzibar in order to prevent not only the exportation of slaves on the East African coast at that point, but also the importation of the munitions of war. My Indian dominions have enjoyed general tranquility and prosperity during the past year." The speech concludes: "To the gentlemen of the commons: I thank you for the liberal provision you have made for the service of the state. My lord and gentlemen, the measures which you have adopted, extending the functions and improving the machinery of local government, are calculated to increase the loyal attachment of the people to their institutions, and promote harmony. I trust that you will be able to promote the successful working order of these changes in your several localities."

Stanley's Safety Confirmed.

LONDON, Dec. 23.—The Sunday *Times*, of which Mr. Hatton, Stanley's intimate friend, is editor, says: "We have received despatches from two reliable sources which enable us to state almost absolutely that Stanley has arrived at Bangala on the Congo, and not at Bonalya on the Aruwila, as reported. One despatch states that Stanley, after a short stay with Emin, left him and returned to Bangala for the purpose of obtaining cartridges and other supplies needed at Wadelai. Having procured these he again went to Wadelai. The second message simply conveys intelligence that Stanley relieved Emin, and is now on the Congo collecting stores at various places by himself and Barttletot's party. Of the latter only Ward and Conny remain. It is suggested that Stanley's homeward route will be *via* Ujiji and Msala to Zanzibar. With this route Stanley is perfectly familiar, as it is a route traversed by Doctor Livingstone and later by Stanley himself."

The Russian-Persian Alliance Untrue.

LONDON, Dec. 24.—The Vienna correspondent of the *Times* states that the rumor of an alliance between Servia and Russia is untrue. He says the Servian foreign minister denies thot there have been any negotiations for such alliance, which the minister says would be contrary to King Milan's Policy.

Supreme Court Official Dead.

LONDON, Dec. 24.—Sir F. Pollock, minister of the supreme court of judicature, and Queen's remembrancer, is dead.

Death of Oliphant.

LONDON, Dec. 24.—Mr. Lawrence Oliphant, the author, died at the residence of Sir Grant Duff at Twickenhan this afternoon.

John Bright Rapidly Improving.

LONDON, Dec. 24.—John Bright is rapidly recovering. He was able to sit in a chair for half an hour to-day.

The Pope's Temporal Power.

ROME, Dec. 24.—The Pope to-day laid a despatch before the sacred college of cardinals. His Holiness thanked God for all the blessings of his jubilee. He affirmed with vehemence his claim to temporal power, and rejected the accusation that he was the enemy of Italy. He urged Catholics everywhere in the world to legally agitate the question of the supremacy of the papal throne. The Pope deplored the recent enactments of the liberal party. The speech throughout was violent and bitter in tone.

A Special Mission.

BERLIN, Dec. 24.—It is reported that Lieut. Wiseman has been entrusted with a special mission by a foreign ministry, which will necessitate his abandoning the leadership of the Emin relief expedition. The report lacks confirmation. Lieut. Wisemann and Dr. Peters have signed an agreement regarding their respective functions in the Emin relief expedition.

O'Kelly Liberated.

DUBLIN, Dec. 24.—James O'Kelly, journalist and member of parliament who was sentenced to four months' imprisonment for making speeches inciting to intimidation and boycotting at Boyle, county Roscommon, was released from prison to-day. his term of imprisonment having expired.

A French Election.

PARIS, Dec. 23.—In the election in the department of Ardennes to-day, M. Leonard, opportunist, received 29,345 votes and M. Auffrey, conservative, 23,211.

A Double Calamity.

PARIS, Dec. 23.—In Saigon, on Nov. 20th, 700 houses out of the 1,000 in the town, were burned, including the post-office and most of the temples. Soon after the flames were extinguished the river swelled by the flood and burst its banks. It destroyed several bridges and greatly damaged the crops. The double calamity has caused great misery.

Slavery Must be Suppressed.

ROME, Dec. 23.—Cardinal Lavigerie, speaking in the Gesu church to-day, said that a public movement was necessary to force everyone to action with regard to the question of slavery. He did not expect to accomplish the abolition of domestic slavery, but the traffic in slaves must be suppressed.

Official New of Stanley.

BRUSSELS, Dec. 24.—Despatches from the Congo officially confirm reports of the safety of Stanley and Emin.

A Large Arab Force.

SUAKIN, Dec. 23.—Deserters from the Arab camp say that there is a strong Arab force at Handouba. A large number of the dead taken from the field of Thursday's battle were brought there.

Austrian Military Appointments.

VIENNA, Dec. 23.—Emperor Francis Joseph has appointed Count Andrassy a general of cavalry and Chevalier Von Bick a general of artillery.

Bismarck Highly Pleased.

BERLIN, Dec. 24.—Prince Bismarck is highly gratified at the English victory at Suakin. It is rumored that the government intends to propose the appointment of an imperial commissary to the East African colonial force. Most of the papers here have leading articles expressive of gratification at the safety of Stanley.

African Colonization.

BERLIN, Nov. 24.—The *National Gazette* trusts that if Emin Pasha ever returns to Germany, his services will be enlisted in the cause of African colonization.

Papal Demonstration Abandoned.

VIENNA, Dec. 24.—Owing to Emperor Francis Joseph's remonstrance to Cardinal Simoni, the proposed Hungarian demonstration in favor of the Pope's restoration to temporal power has been abandoned.

CAPITAL NOTES.

Ottawa Will Have a Green Christmas, the First in Many Years.

Capital Sentence on Preeper Commuted to Penal Servitude—Restriction of Franking Privileges in the Departments—Manufacture of Beet Sugar—Exports of Live Stock to Europe on the Increase.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

OTTAWA, Dec. 24.—Capital sentence on Preeper, the Nova Scotia murderer, has been commuted to penal servitude for life.

The exports of the live stock to Europe show a large increase over last year.

A delegation of the Toronto board of trade waited on Sir John and invited him to attend the annual dinner on January fourth. The Premier consented.

The customs department has received 5 samples of beet sugar made at the new factory of Berthier, Quebec. Sixteen hundred farmers cultivated the product this summer.

Consternation has been created in the departmental buildings through the restriction of the franking privilege.

Ottawa will have a green Christmas for the first time in many years, considerable rain having fallen here to-day.

THE CHARITIES.

The Various Institutions Dressed in Christmas Garb—An Abundance of Good Things Provided.

THE ROYAL HOSPITAL.

At the Royal Hospital, Steward Garland has spent a large amount of labor and exercised considerable taste in the decorations. The dining room is especially pleasant, there being several artistic designs in evergreen and white with appropriate mottoes on the walls, which are almost hid in the luxuriance of evergreens. Each of the wards and the convalescent home are trimmed with evergreens and decorated with mottoes, while the galleries and approach to the building are liberally decorated with evergreens. The hard-working steward and his estimable wife have reason to feel gratified with the result of their efforts.

The public have not forgotton the sick and afflicted in the festive season, and everything necessary to provide a bountiful Christmas spread has been sent to the institution in abundance. Dinner at the hospital to-day will be right royally served, and all who are in a state of health to partake of the good things provided will be more than satisfied.

ST. JOSEPH'S HOSPITAL.

The principal decorations at St. Joseph's Hospital are confined to the beautiful little chapel connected with the institution. A faithful representation of the crip at Bethlehem has been erected in the sanctuary, and the altars are tastefully dressed with a profusion of white wax flowers, lace and wax candles, a little holly and berries adding to the tasteful effect. The dining-room is decorated with cedar boughs, holly and ivy, and, thanks to those who rejoice in health and plenty, the sick and feeble inmates of St. Joseph's will have no cause to complain to-day of any lack of Christmas cheer.

THE ORPHANAGES.

In the midst of peace and plenty, the fatherless and motherless little ones at the orphanages were not forgotten, and to-day they are celebrating their Christmas in the style that children love best, with a profusion of holiday cheer sent in by kind friends. At the Protestant Orphans' Home the inmates rejoice in a large Christmas tree, laden with gifts. The rooms are decorated with holly and bright red berries, and care has been taken to furnish materials for a bounteous Christmas dinner. At St. Ann's Convent the dining-rooms and chapel are tastefully decorated, and a plentiful supply of materials for a first-class Christmas dinner has been sent in by friends.

MARINE.

Bark Viola hauled out into the stream yesterday. She will probably put to sea to-day.

Ship Glory of the Seas, coal-laden from Nanaimo, arrived at San Francisco yesterday morning.

The Duke of Abercorn arrived in the Roads yesterday. She will load lumber at Hasting's mill.

British ship Gitana sailed from Queenstown on the 16th inst. with a general cargo for Victoria.

Steamship Umatilla arrived from San Francisco at 9:30 yesterday morning, with 105 passengers and 1,012 tons of freight, 92 tons being for this city. After discharging freight she sailed for Puget Sound.

The bark Southern Chief, bound for Melbourne from Moodyville, was towed to sea on Saturday by the tug Sea Lion.

The bark Dora has completed loading with lumber at the Moodyville Mills, and will shortly sail for Sydney, N. S. W.

For the Finest Creamery Butter, go to FELL & Co.'s, Fort street. *

A SAD ACCIDENT.

Many People Burned to Death On a Mississippi Steamer.

The Steamer Kate Adams Catches Fire and the Vessel Burns Like Powder.

The Passengers Become Panic-Stricken, and Many Jump Overboard Only to Meet their Death by Drowning.

[Special to THE COLONIST.]

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 24.—A special to the *Picayune* from Grenville, Miss., says: The steamer Kate Adams, plying between Memphis and Arkansas City, was burned at 8:30 this morning near Commerce Landing, Miss., about forty miles south of Memphis, and three cabin boys and the second clerk, George Corbett, are missing. There was a large number of passengers on board, but all escaped. The fire spread rapidly and there was a stampede and panic, but by good management the boat was run ashore in time for the passengers to get off safely. Alex. Harris, his wife and several children (colored) from Bolivar landing, are said to have been drowned while attempting to escape on bales of cotton, which were thrown overboard. Many other negroes escaped on the bales. The cargo of cotton is a total loss. The boat was one of the best on the river and was valued at $75,000. She was owned by Major Adams, of Little Rock. The origin of the fire is unknown.

FURTHER PARTICULARS.

MEMPHIS, Dec. 24.—The steamer Kate Adams was burned a few minutes before eight this morning near Commerce, Miss., and thirty out of two hundred people on board lost their lives. The boat left Helena at one o'clock this morning loaded to the guards. Besides 1,200 bales of cotton, the lower deck had forty passengers, while one hundred passengers found quarters in the cabin. Many were at breakfast when Peter's Island, 40 miles below this city, was reached. Ten minutes later, a column of smoke was discovered ascending out of the cotton piled on the bow, and the crew rushed to the spot with buckets and hose. The first bale being tossed aside, disclosed

A WIDESPREAD CONFLAGRATION.

in the cotton below. An alarm was given and First Pilot Barton, who was at the wheel, turned the bow of the steamer towards the shore. The vessel burned like powder and in a flash the flames had taken possession of the forward part of the cabin and spread along the rails toward the stern. The passengers rushed around in a state of panic, impossible for the officers to subdue. Many of them leaped overboard and were drowned, while some few of the men succeeded in swimming to shore. Among the deck passengers the panic was, if anything, greater. Most of them were colored men and upon the approach of the fire they jumped into the river and only five succeeded in making shore. Among the deck passengers were six colored women, and in attempting to rescue them second clerk George Corbitt lost his life. An attempt was made to lower a yawl, bue in the struggle to take possession of it,

THE YAWL WAS CAPSIZED.

and several people drowned. The pilot remained at his post, though surrounded by flames and smoke, and soon had the burning steamer against the bank. It was none too soon, for already a score of people were cut off and compelled to jump into the river from the opposite side, and just how many were lost in this plunge is not known. About 150 half-drowned and partially burned people were landed from the cabin saloon. Those below had been cut off, and the loss of life was heavy. The majority were forced into the water on the side of the boat where the water was deep and the current strong. Fortunately, there were

ONLY A FEW WOMEN

And children on board. Capt. Mort. R. Cheek, who was on the hurricane deck, remained there giving his commands until the stage plank was safely lowered. The fire by this time had spread all through the cabin and he was compelled to retreat to the rear and climbed over the railing and descended to the cabin. As he was groping his way aft he stumbled and fell over some chairs and lost all the valuables he had secured, and it was with great difficulty that he succeeded in reaching the rear through the blinding smoke and flames which filled the cabin. Captain Cheek seized a life-preserver and placing it on Clerk Blanker, helped him overboard into the water. He floated down the river about three miles before he was rescued by parties who had walked on shore and followed him down the river.

CONDENSED DESPATCHES.

The news of the decision of the Supreme Court in favor of Manitoba in the crossing case, was received at Winnipeg with much rejoicing. Bonfires were lighted at Portage La Prairie and other places. It is probable the C. P. R. will take the case before the Imperial Privy Council, but Attorney-General Martin expresses his determination to resume operations on the road at once.

D. E. Shook, agent of the Red River Valley Elevator Company at Stephen, Minnesota, skipped to Manitoba with $5,000 of his employer's money, and $1,000 borrowed from business men of Stephen. His wife is nearly distracted over the affair.

Wm. Elgie, one of the oldest farmers of Nichol township, Guelph, and wife, were thrown from a buggy by their team taking fright and are believed to be fatally injured. Doctors so far have been unable to restore them to consciousness.

All hope for the recovery of Mrs. Letitia Yeomans, temperance advocate, is gone.

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CHRISTMAS.

We are glad to see that Christmas observances are well kept up. Christmas usages, instead of dying out, as some shallow cynics predicted some time ago, are recommending themselves to people whose fathers thought it a matter of duty to discountenance and discourage them. Christmas kindliness and cheerfulness have counteracted the teachings and the example of these good, well-meaning people, and now men, women and children of all creeds, classes and conditions feel bound to be as happy as they can themselves and to do all in their power to make others happy on Christmas Day. Independently of its religious aspect, Christmas is a harmonizing and an elevating festival. Men and women are not so cold, so formal and so self-contained as the superficial observer is apt to consider them to be. Most of them feel it a relief to be able, for one day in the year at least, to throw off conventional restraint and to show their relatives, their friends and their neighbors that they sympathise with them and wish them well. And whose heart does not go out to the children on Christmas day? Their delight in it is as unbounded and their anticipations of its pleasures are as keen and as bright as were those of their grandfather and grandmother in the days of their childhood, which, at Christmas, somehow, do not apappear to be so very long ago. Is it sixty years ago since that not so very venerable old gentleman was the proud possessor of a Noah's ark, or felt that the purchasing power of the big bright Mexican dollar that had been given him was almost boundless. When he hears the children talking about Christmas and their expectations of what Santa-Claus will bring them, the passage of years is forgotten and he vividly remembers what he thought and how he felt at the approach of Christmas when he was a child. "Bless me, how time flies," he is apt to say, and the recollection of those Christmas days softens his heart and causes him to do what he can to make the little ones with whom he is connected have a Merry Christmas—one like some of his own, long to be remembered with pleasure in spite of the troubles, the vexations and the bereavements of life. It is well to have the children associate Christmas with all that is best and kindest and most loveable in father and mother, sisters and brothers, uncles and aunts, cousins and all good friends. It is on account of these associations that Christmas continues to be so popular. It is dear to the elders for the sake of the past and it is precious to the young on account of the delights of the present. We do not believe that the time will ever come when Christmas will be considered a bore. The popular heart is too big to allow it to die out. The associations connected with it are too tender and too pleasant to permit the old to let it go out of fashion and its traditions are too sweet and too delightful to be forgotten by the young. And there is, too, at the bottom of all Christmas observances, whether it is recognized or not, a deep religious feeling which shows how well adapted to the human heart is the fundamental principle of Christianity, Peace on Earth and good will to men.

There are, happily, very few poor in this favored country. Still there are some among us, who—whether it is their own fault or not is not to be enquired into at this happy season—are destitute of the comforts and even many of the necessaries of life. These should be looked after and they should be made to feel that they are among Christians and that it is a good thing for them that Christmas comes once a year. And the stranger, too, he should not be forgotten. Christmas to a stranger in a strange land is very dismal. The recollection of the merry Christmases of the past make his present loneliness and friendlessness the harder to be borne. A wise man once said "Unspeakable is the importance of man to man" and the man without friends in the land of the stranger feels, perhaps with a little bitterness, how true that saying is. A kind word, a friendly greeting, a cordial shake of the hand, any indication of kindness and sympathy, are to him most grateful, even if he is not in need of material assistance of any kind. Let the stranger not be forgotten in Victoria today. It now remains for us to wish our readers, one and all, A MERRY CHRISTMAS!

THE HOLIDAY TRADE.

Christmas trade this year has been excellent. Merchants in all branches of business report satisfactory sales, and there is no complaining anywhere. In fact this year's sales exceed those of any previous Christmas. This is a good sign. It proves that there has been a large increase in population, and that people generally are in easy circumstances. Owing to the cessation of the construction of public works, it was naturally thought at the beginning of 1888 that trade would not be satisfactory, but these apprehensions have been proved to be groundless, as the year's trade has far exceeded the anticipations of the most hopeful. The stores of the city have been filled to overflowing with goods, but nearly all are now disposed of; and just here, it is but fair to remark that Victoria's retail stores will compare in general appearance, variety and quality of stock, with those to be found in any city of the Dominion. Saturday and last night the streets and stores were thronged, and it was with difficulty that pedestrians made their way through the crowd, and there is no doubt that thousands today will be made happy by the gifts so freely purchased.

A QUEBEC ELECTION.

An election that is going on in the County of Megantic, Quebec, is viewed with a good deal of interest in the whole of Eastern Canada. The Protestants of Quebec have no representative in the government of the Province. Mr. Mercier, the Provincial Premier, has more than once declared his wish to have a Protestant for a colleague. But no Protestant constituency has elected a supporter to his government. The desirability of having a representative of the religious minority in the government was so great that Mr. Mercier offered a seat in his Cabinet to Col. Rhodes, a very worthy gentleman and a supporter of the policy of the Government. The offer was accepted. The seat for the County of Megantic being vacant, Col. Rhodes, though not a resident, was prevailed upon to offer himself as a candidate in the interests of the Government. It was expected by some that the new Minister of Agriculture would be returned without opposition. Col. Rhodes being a sound Protestant, against whom, personally, no one had anything but good to say, it was thought that the Conservative Party, in deference to what was represented as the wish of the great bulk of the Protestant population of the Province, would allow him to be returned by acclamation. But the Quebec Conservatives did not see fit to take this course, and so they have brought out a candidate to contest the seat with the new Minister. The contest is likely to be a lively one. But there are Protestant Conservatives in the Province and in the county who think that it would be a great pity for the Protestants to lose the representative in the Government to which their numbers entitle them and which their interests require for the sake of a barren political victory, for Mr. Mercier is strong enough to do without the seat for Megantic. For this reason, and because the candidate is already a member of the Government, it is expected that the vote will not be on strict party lines, and that the National Party will have considerably the advantage of their opponents. The election takes place on the 27th.

CUSTOMS REFORMS.

The necessity for a reform in the administration of the laws relating to Customs is seen by men of all parties. The tyranny and blind officialism of the Customs Department are matters of general complaint. The maxim which that Department seems to act upon is that all men are rogues until they are found to be honest. The indignities which honest merchants have to suffer at the hands of the Custom House officials are very hard to bear, and their stupid practice in carrying out a rule, no matter under what circumstances it is violated, is most aggravating. The decisions recently made by the Supreme Court prove that in its interpretation of the law, and in its way of carrying it out, the Department is liable to make very serious mistakes, and those to the injury of the honest trader. The decision in the Ayer case is familiar to all. By that decision the public are compelled to pay a firm, whose dealings with the Custom House were in perfect good faith, a very considerable sum in compensation for injury done and for law costs. A decision which the same court came to a few days ago, shows that in its dealings with the trading community the Customs Department is liable not only to misinterpret the law, but to commit blunders which are an outrage on common sense. The facts, as related by the Toronto *Mail*, are these:

The patentee of an automatic sprinkler—an affair for extinguishing fires in factories and offices—was compelled under the Patent Act to manufacture the machine in Canada. He therefore imported the parts and proceeded to put them together. When importing he submitted the parts to the customs appraiser and explained them to him. The appraiser valued them for duty and the duty as demanded was paid. After doing everything thus openly the importer might reasonably have thought himself safe from further molestation. But the officials found that the complete sprinkler was worth more than the disconnected parts. This was not extraordinary, for a patented article usually sells for more than the materials out of which it is made. The department, however, scented fraud, and upon this suspicion took possession of the importer's entire stock of sprinklers, thus, as in the Ayer case, stopping the business. In the supreme court, to which the case has been carried, the action of the department has been condemned. The court holds that the explanations given by the importer to the customs officials show that there was no intention to defraud the revenue. All the seized goods are to be returned, and the country in all probability will have to pay the damages sustained by the firm through this unjust interference with its business.

The Hamilton *Spectator*, in a recent article on the Customs Act, gives the following instance of blind, undiscriminating officialism:—

A, a Hamilton merchant, imported a case of goods. He made entry, paid the duty and received the goods. When the case was being opened, B, another merchant, entered, saying there was an inclosure in A's case. A enquired if he had passed the goods. He replied that he had not; he had just received the invoice and notice that the goods were in A's case. He went to the custom house to pass them, and the result was that his goods were seized and sold. The law against inclosures is very strict. It *must* be very strict or all sorts of frauds would be perpetrated. But surely some provision should be made so that a man would not be punished for being honest.

These instances, with hundreds of others that could be adduced, show that a Customs Court should be established, and that the customs laws should be amended.

EDITORIAL COMMENTS.

THE Vancouver *World* of Saturday contains some remarks on the memorial of the Victoria Board of Trade to the Chancellor of the Exchequer which might be conceived in a better spirit. We did intend to write a sharp reply, but when we considered that our issue would appear on Christmas Day, and feeling at peace with all the world, we thought it best to forbear; and hoping that before it again discusses the subject of the C. P. R.'s steamers neglecting to call at this port it will see that an injustice to Victoria is not necessarily a benefit to Vancouver, we wish it and all connected with it the compliments of the season.

CHINA-JAPAN STEAMERS.

TO THE EDITOR:—"Again it is ridiculous," so says your irate contemporary the *World* in a frothy effusion anent the recent action of the British Columbia board of trade in connection with the China-Japan mail service. Well, it is by no means surprising to note these continous snarls at Victoria—"bumptious Victoria, bumptious board of trade"—although in this instance your contemporary has gone off at "half-cock," seeing that the B. C. board of trade have simply passed a minute of council confirming its petition to the Rt. Hon. the Chancellor of the Exchequer, presented in *August, 1887*, and recording a few additional facts which are evidently most unpalatable to the *World* of Vancouver. Poor *World*—poor Vancouver! Your contemporary, "so full of blind fury," as he states, proceeds to teach its readers a lesson on diplomatic procedure as to the course to be followed with a petition to the Imperial government—no petitions, by the way, having been presented since August 1887. We ought to be very thankful to your contemporary for such useful "pointers," although given through his Vancouver spectacles, and they should at any rate remind us of the adage "we are never too old to learn." By the bye, I had almost forgotten that the very name of "British Columbia board of trade" is not approved at the "terminal city." Its actions are simply detested by your contemporary. Poor board of trade—it cannot well change its name to that which was appropriated by Burrard Inlet to identify it with this coast before the "booming" season set in; of which more anon.

JACK.

Christmas Eve, 1888.

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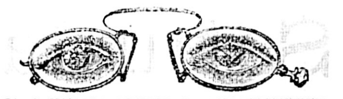

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[A SERIAL STORY BY BERTHA M. CLAY.]
(Continued.)

"The worst is, that if I fail to get the money from you, I must try to find out who is the next most interested in the matter. There is one thing that you cannot deny, Miss di Cynthia—you burned the will." She paused with a sudden cry.

Unperceived by either, Sir Marc had entered through the open window, and stood with a horror-stricken face, listening to the last few terrible words.

With an air of terrible bewilderment he looked from one to the other; Veronica was white as death, the servant-girl insolent in the full triumph of her accusation, in the knowledge of her victory. Veronica looked round when she saw the sudden dawn of fear in the girl's eyes. She uttered no cry when she saw her lover, but a cold terrible shudder seized her. He came to her and took her hand.

"What is the matter, Veronica? What does this insolent woman say? Why do you allow her to insult you?"

"Truth is no insult, Sir Marc," put in Norton.

"Say the word, and I will send for a policeman, and will give her into custody. I heard a little of what has passed, and I see she is trying to extort money from you—why not order her from the house?"

"Ah, why not?" cried Morton, insolently. "As you say, Sir Marc, why not?"

"I take the duty upon myself," he said; "I order you not only to quit the room, but to quit the house. Lady Brandon will approve of what I have done when she hears of your conduct."

"I shall not leave the room, Sir Marc," she replied quietly, "until I have Miss di Cynthia's answer. She knows what I want; let her say if she will give it to me."

"You know that I cannot," she answered.

Sir Marc looked at her in bewilderment.

"Surely you are not willing to compromise with this woman, Veronica? She must be punished—any attempt to extort money is a crime that the law punishes very severely. Do not speak to her—leave her to me."

Then he paused in bewildered wonder; there was something he did not understand—a shrinking fear in Veronica's face and an insolent triumph in the maid's. Where was the indignation, the just anger, that she should feel? What could it mean? With a restless, uneasy gaze he looked from one to the other. The dark eyes of the woman he loved had never met his own.

"I heard what passed," he said. "I was bringing you these Gloire de Dijou roses, Veronica, and I heard this insolent woman say that you had burned a will—that you could not deny it. I know the meaning of that. She brings this false accusation against you, meaning to extort money from you, and you very properly refuse to give it to her. She ought to be sent to prison."

"Stop, Sir Marc," said the woman, angrily—"you speak too fast. Ask my mistress whether my charge against her is false or not."

"I will not insult Miss di Cynthia by any such question," he replied.

"Then you are unjust," she said. "You accuse me of bringing a false charge; ask Miss di Cynthia whether that charge is true or false—she will not deny it if you ask her."

Still there came no words from the white lips that were closed so strangely.

"I refuse to do any such thing," he returned.

"Again, Sir Marc, I say that you are unjust. I accuse Miss di Cynthia of having in her own room, unknown to everyone, and, as she thought, unseen by everyone, wilfully burned Sir Jasper Brandon's last will and testament. More than that, I can prove that she did so. Now Sir Marc, look from her to me—which of us looks guilty?"

He looked at Veronica as though half expecting an indignant denial! None came.

"Miss di Cynthia," she continued, "tell Sir Marc, who accuses me of bringing a false charge, whether you destroyed that will or not."

Still there was no answer.

"I swear to Heaven that I saw her do it, and that I have the proofs," cried the maid. "I should not speak so plainly before you, Sir Marc, but that hush-money will do from you as well as from her."

Then Veronica spoke, she went up to him, and without looking at him, she said:

"Will you send that woman away, Marc? I shall die if she remains here. I will speak to you when she is gone."

It struck him with a pang more bitter than death that she had never once denied the charge.

"Go," he said to Morton; "leave Miss di Cynthia's presence, and never dare to seek it again. Leave this house at once. If in one hour from now you are within the walls, nothing will save you from prison."

"And nothing will save Miss di Cynthia from penal servitude," she rejoined.

The woman's persistence in her story astounded him, while Veronica's silence bewildered him. It could not be true—of course it was false; but it was evident from her silence that there was a mystery.

"Hush!" The white lips had opened again, and a voice that was unlike any he had ever heard came to him in the sunlit silence. "Do not drive her to extremes. Send her away."

Then Sir Marc, pointing to the door, said:

"Go! Leave the house: but wait for me at the railway station at Hurstwood. I will see you there."

The woman left the room, and he took Veronica in his arms.

"Sweetheart," he said, "what is this mystery? Why did you not deny that woman's outrageous charges? My Veronica burn a will! You cannot think how it has distressed me." He kissed the white cold face, which looked as though neither warmth nor color could ever brighten it again; his heart was full of keen, intolerable pain. "There is some mystery, Veronica," he went on; "I can see that. Tell me what it is."

"I cannot," she said.

And the two simple words were more terrible to him than any others.

"At least, my darling," he pleaded, tell me that it is not true. I cannot endure that you should remain silent under such a charge; it is unwomanly almost—deny it. I ask no explanation of the mystery; my sweetheart shall be as free and unfettered as the wind that blows. But I do ask this—deny those horrible words."

Then she looked at him with the pallor of death on her face. She tried to speak lightly, but her lips trembled. She tried to smile, but the smile died away.

"What if I could not deny it, Marc?" His face flamed hotly.

"Great Heaven, Veronica," he cried, "do not jest over such a subject as this—do not jest about a crime! I could not have thought you capable of such light words."

"I am not jesting," she answered, faintly; "I never thought of doing so."

She saw his face grow stern and his eyes take a cold, hard expression.

"Veronica," he said, "answer me one question—it is your own fault that I have to ask it—is the woman's charge true? She says that she holds proofs—is it true? Tell me—did you burn a will or did you not? Answer me."

She knew that it would be useless to resist her fate even if she could lie—Morton would produce the charred fragments as evidence. She — Veronica — would not attempt to screen herself. He must think what he would.

"Did you destroy a will, Veronica?" he repeated. "Answer me — I shall go mad with suspense."

She raised her white face to his, and spoke slowly:

"It is quite true," she said; "I did burn Sir Jasper Brandon's last will and testament; yet, listen—I would deny it if I dared, but if that woman holds those fatal proofs it is useless."

He drew back from her as though she had stabbed him.

"You do not mean it, I am sure," he said—"you cannot mean it—it would be too horrible. You are saying it to try my love—only for that—to try my faith, my darling; you could not have done it."

"Was it so great a crime?" she asked simply.

"A crime?" he repeated. "The person who could even ask such a question must be dead to all sense of honor and shame. A crime? I should place it next to murder."

"I did not know it," she said softly; "I never thought of that."

He looked at her in horror.

"Then you did it—you really and truly did it, Veronica?" he said.

"Yes, I did it, Marc," she replied sadly.

"What was the reason? Why did you do it? What was your motive? Tell me that I may understand."

"I cannot do that," she replied sadly. "I can tell you no more than this, that I of my own accord burned that will."

"Great Heaven," he cried, "it is incredible! Did any one else know?"

"I cannot tell you," she replied.

"Was any one else present?"

"No," she answered.

"Was the will you destroyed one against your own interests? Did it take money from you, or what?"

She raised her dark eyes in solemn wonder at the question.

"You must think what you will of my motives," she replied—"I cannot explain them to you."

"It is incredible!" he cried. "I could believe you and myself both mad before I could believe this. It is some foul trick, some horrible farce!"

"No," she replied. "it is the simple terrible truth. I destroyed the will, but I did not know it was such a crime as you say."

"And if you had known?" he cried.

"I should have destroyed it just the same."

"You swear it is true?" he said.

"I swear it," she replied.

They stood looking at each other, while the sunbeams fell between them and the birds sung on the roses outside the window.

Veronica was the first to break the terrible silence.

"Marc," she said, "you will not betray me."

"No," he replied slowly, "I will not betray you, lest the iron hand of the law should grasp you. Great Heaven, how could you have done such a deed?"

She looked at him with a shudder.

"Could I really be put into prison for it?" she said.

"Yes, if those whom you have defrauded chose to prosecute you;" and then he wondered, for a soft, sweet light came over the white stillness of her face.

"I see," she said slowly — "I understand."

"Veronica," he cried "how callous you are! You seem to have no shame for the deed that you have done."

She was asking herself what she should do—how she should make him understand; and then, with a great, sharp, bitter pang, the thought came to her that she could never make him understand—that she could never break her oath, the oath taken with her hands on her dead father's heart. He was looking at her with wistful eyes."

"You, Veronica," he said, "whom I thought of all women the most perfect, will you tell me why you did this? Will you give me some explanation of the mystery—any key by which I may solve it? "Will you say one word that will lessen my misery?"

"I cannot," she replied. "I am bound in chains of iron—I cannot. I tell you this one bare fact — I burned the will. You must trust me all in all—or not at all."

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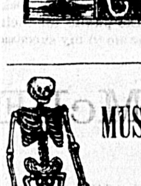

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dec22-w-2mo

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, THAT APplication will be made to the Legislature of British Columbia, at its next sitting, for a Private Bill to incorporate a Company for the purpose of constructing, equipping and maintaining a Railway from a convenient point on the eastern boundary of the Province to the northern terminus of the Esquimalt and Nanaimo Railway on Vancouver Island *via* Yellowhead Pass, Cariboo and Bute Inlet; with power to construct and maintain branch lines, to construct and operate telegraph and telephone lines, to build and operate steam and other vessels, and generally to do all things conducive or incidental to the attainment of the above purposes or any of them; and for a grant of land in aid of the proposed enterprise.

CHARLES WILSON,
dec22 Solicitor for the Applicants.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, THAT APplication will be made at the next session of the Parliament of Canada for an act to incorporate a company for the purpose of constructing, equipping, maintaining and operating a line of railway from the City of Victoria, British Columbia, to some point or points at or near Shoal Harbour and Swartz Bay, North Saanich, Vancouver Island, and of extending the said railway by ferry communications from the said points to all or any of the following points on the mainland of British Columbia, viz.: To some point or place at or near Garry Point, Lulu Island, as well as to some other point on the south side of Fraser River, at or near Canoe Pass and to some other point at or near Point Roberts; and also of constructing, maintaining and operating one or more lines of railway from any or all of the aforesaid points on the said mainland to the cities of Vancouver and New Westminster and to the International boundary line so as to connect with the Canadian Pacific Railway or with any branches thereof, and with the railway system of the United States, with the usual powers to build, own and operate a telegraph or telephone line or both in connection with the above mentioned lines and ferry, and all necessary bridges and ferries, and to build, own and operate steam and other vessels, and to take and acquire lands for the right of way, station grounds and other necessities, and to acquire lands or other bonuses or aids from the Government of the Dominion of Canada or any Local Government or municipality, corporation or person, to assist in the construction of the said railway and ferries, and to make traffic and other arrangements with other railway or other companies, and for all other usual and necessary powers, rights and privileges.

YATES & JAY,
oc19-2mo Solicitors for the Applicants.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT WE intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for the purchase of certain Lands situated in Graham Island, Queen Charlotte Island District, described as follows:—Commencing at a point on east shore of Rose Spit, Graham Island, and running thence west forty (40) chains more or less, thence north two hundred and forty (240) chains, and thence east to the shore line, and thence along the shore line in a southerly direction to the point of commencement, containing in all about one thousand (1000) acres.

R. H. HALL,
J. M. L. ALEXANDER,
By their Agent, D. R. HARRIS.
Victoria, B. C., Oct. 26th, 1888. oc27-2m-d

NOTICE.—Sixty days after date I intend to make application to the Hon. the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works to purchase 320 acres of land in the Coast District, described as follows: From a stake marked E, on the south-east corner of the property occupied by the Inverness Cannery, thence north forty chains, thence east eighty chains, thence south forty chains, thence west eight chains to the place of commencement.

J. A. CARTHEW.
Victoria, B. C., Nov. 19, 1888. nov20

NOTICE.—Sixty days after date I intend to make application to the Hon. the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works to purchase 320 acres of land, described as follows; Commencing at a post planted on the shore of Telegraph Passage, about one and a half miles north of Moore's Cove, thence east forty chains, thence south eighty chains, thence west forty chains more or less to Telegraph Passage, thence following the shore line in a northerly direction to the point of commencement.

J. A. CARTHEW.
Victoria, Nov. 19, 1888. nov20

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT I intend to make application to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase Massett Island, situated in Massett Inlet, containing 100 acres more or less.

Aug. 23, 1888. oc30 C. HARRISON.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT I intend making application to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase 160 acres of land at Massett, Graham's Island, commencing at Mackay's Post, thence north 20 chains, east 80 chains, south 20 chains, thence meandering the shore to place of commencement. Said land is fit for pastoral purposes only.

C. HARRISON.
August 27th, 1888. oc30

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT I intend to make application to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase 480 acres of land at Massett Spit, Graham Island, described as follows: commencing at a post marked C. thence north 120 chains, east 40 chains, south 120 chains, thence meandering the shore to place of commencement. Said land is fit for pastoral purposes only.

Oct. 21st, 1888. CHARLES HARRISON.
oc30

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT, 60 days after date, I intend to make application to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works to purchase a tract of land situate at the mouth of Woodbury Creek, on west shore of Kootenay Lake, B. C., described as follows, to wit: Beginning at a stake about 200 yards north of mouth of Woodbury Creek and at high water mark of Kootenay Lake, and runs thence 40 chains west, thence south 40 chains, thence east 40 chains, thence north 40 chains to starting point, containing 160 acres.

FRANK L. FITCH.
Kootenay Lake, Oct. 29, 1888. nov21

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, THAT Ching Way has, of his own accord, sold his share in the firm Quong on Lung & Co., to his partner Lee Coy, who now owns and manages the whole concern of the firm. Full payment of the share in question will be made to Ching Way on the 16th December, 1888; after which the firm, its assets, liabilities, and its whole concern, will not concern Ching Way in any way whatever.

QUONG ON LUNG & CO.,
dec8-1w New Westminster, B. C.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT I intend to make application to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, for permission to purchase 160 acres of land at Virago Sound, Queen Charlotte's Islands, commencing at a stake marked A, thence north 40 chains, east 40 chains, south 40 chains, west 40 chains. Said land is fit for pastoral purposes only.

Oct. 21st, 1888. oc30 C. HARRISON.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT 60 days after date I intend to apply to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the undermentioned tracts of land, situate in Rupert District, and described as follows:—

Block No. 1.—Commencing at a point one mile due south of the S. E. corner of Section 14; thence S. 80 chains; thence W. 80 chains; thence N. 80 chains; thence E. 80 chains to the point of commencement; containing 640 acres.

Block No. 2.—Commencing at the N.W. corner of Block No. 1; thence S. 80 chains; thence W. 80 chains; thence N. 80 chains; thence E. 80 chains to the point of commencement; containing 640 acres.

JOSHUA DAVIES.
Victoria, November 27th, 1888. dec1-2mo

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ELECTION CARDS.

REQUISITION

To Robert Ward, Esq., Victoria, B. C.

SIR:—We, the undersigned Ratepayers of Victoria, beg to request that you will allow your name to be placed in nomination for the position of Mayor of the City of Victoria for the year 1889.

The zeal you showed in a former Council in which you served, for the interests of the city, and the ability you have displayed in the prominent position you now occupy as President of the Board of Trade, besides your own large interests in the city, lead us to hope that you will be disposed to take a leading part in the several important matters which will, we trust, be undertaken by the incoming Council.

Should you accede to this request, we shall give you our hearty support.

Victoria, B. C., 11th December, 1888.

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S. J. Pitts	Thos. Shotbolt
Thomas R. Smith	James Hutcheson
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A. B. Erskine	

To the Ratepayers whose signatures are attached to the above:

GENTLEMEN,—Replying to the above Requisition, I have to thank you for the proffered honor of your support and influence to secure my election as Mayor for the ensuing year.

I fully realize the important functions devolving on that office, and if I can be of service in helping forward the good government of the city, I accept your nomination. Should it be the pleasure of the Ratepayers to elect me, I can assure them that my best efforts shall be devoted to guarding their interests, and in promoting generally the advancement of the city.

I shall doubtless be afforded an opportunity prior to the date of election, of publicly expressing my views on the various urgent matters which demand the attention of the incoming Council.

I have the honor to be, Gentlemen,
Your obedient servant,
ROBERT WARD.

Victoria, B. C.,
15th December, 1888. dec16-td

---To the Ratepayers of---

JOHNSON ST. WARD

Ladies and Gentlemen—I respectfully offer myself as a candidate for the Board of Aldermen in your Ward. Having resided in the ward six years, and having all my interests there, I am confident of my ability to serve you satisfactorily.

JOSHUA HOLLAND.
dec19

JOHNSON ST. WARD

Ladies and Gentlemen,—The undersigned respectfully offers himself for re-election as Alderman for Johnson street Ward, trusting that his course in the Council has been such as to entitle him to a renewal of the confidence of the electors. JOHN COUGHLAN.
dec19td

NOTICES.

NOTICE.

In the Supreme Court of British Columbia

BETWEEN
JOHN CAMERON, Plaintiff.
AND
THADDEUS HARPER, Defendant.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, THAT AN Order has been made in the above entitled action, by the Hon. Sir Matthew B. Begbie, C. J., appointing James C. Prevost and Henry S. Mason to be Receivers of all the Estate and Effects of the above named defendant, to take possession of the real estate and receive and collect the personal estate, and to manage and conduct his business, and to restrain the defendant and all other persons from interfering with them as such Receivers.

JAMES C. PREVOST,
HENRY S. MASON.
Dated,
Victoria, Dec. 20, 1888. dec21

NOTICE.

HIS HONOUR THE LIEUTENANT-Governor has been pleased to make the following Rule of Court:—

1. There shall be a vacation of the Supreme Court from Monday the 24th instant, until Saturday the 5th day of January, 1889, both dates inclusive.

During such period no pleadings shall be delivered or actions tried.

By Command.
A. CAMPBELL REDDIE,
Deputy Provincial Secretary.

Provincial Secretary's Office,
20th December, 1888. dec21-td

PROVINCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE.
20th December, 1888.

THE PUBLIC OFFICES OF THE PROvincial Government will be closed from Monday the 24th to Wednesday the 26th instant, inclusive, and on Tuesday the 1st, and Wednesday the 2nd proximo.

By Command,
A. CAMPBELL REDDIE,
dec21-td Deputy Provincial Secretary.

"JURORS' ACT, 1883,"

AND AMENDING ACTS.

To the Selectors of Jurors for Victoria District:

YOU ARE HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO hold on the 7th day of January, A.D. 1889, a Special Sittings at the Court House, James Bay, City of Victoria, for the purpose of preparing, selecting, and having made up, the Jurors' Books, Rolls, and Lists, for Victoria District, for the year 1889. and for so doing let this be your warrant.

Given under my hand and seal, at the City of Victoria, B. C., this 20th day of December, A. D. 1888.

HUGH NELSON,
dec21-1w Lieutenant-Governor.

NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION.

THE PARTNERSHIP HITHERTO EXISTing between the undersigned, known as the Rivers Inlet Canning Company, is dissolved by the retirement of Mr. Hart from the concern.

M. HART,
THOS. SHOTBOLT,
ROBT. DRANEY.
Witness:
THEO. DAVIE. dec11

NOTICE OF PRIVATE BILL.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, THAT APplication will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, at its next sitting, for an Act to incorporate a Company for the purpose of constructing and operating a line of STREET RAILWAY in the Districts of Esquimalt, Victoria and Lake, connecting with the Street Railway system of the City of Victoria, on the following routes: Victoria to Cadboro and Oak Bays; Victoria to Esquimalt Town; Victoria to the Royal Oak Hotel in Lake District; Victoria to Craigflower Bridge; Victoria to the Gorge, and from thence by the Craigflower Road back to Victoria; and to such other point or points as may be deemed advisable. The said Street Railway line to run along the usual highways to the foregoing points.

Victoria, EBERTS & TAYLOR,
Dec. 18, 1888. Agents for the Applicants.

NOTICE.—I HAVE PURCHASED THE Scavenger business lately carried on by Smilow and Dougherty. All orders may be left at J. C. Devlin's, Yates street; J. Finlayson's, Government street; or at G. Doughty's, Fort st. All orders promptly executed at the lowest possible price. aug24-tf J. DOUGHERTY.

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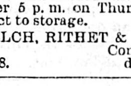

CLAIMS AGAINST THIS VESSEL MUST be sent in to the undersigned by noon of Friday the 14th inst. All inward cargo remaining on Wharf after 5 p. m. on Thursday (13th inst.) will be subject to storage.

WELCH, RITHET & CO.,
Victoria, B. C., Consignees.
12th Dec., 1888. dec13-2t

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TACOMA---VICTORIA ROUTE.

Daily except Saturday.		Daily except Sunday.	
Lv Tacoma	7:30 p.m	Lv Victoria	11:00 a.m
Ar Seattle	10:00 p.m	Ar Pt. Towns'd	2:30 p.m
(Change Boat.)		Lv Pt. Towns'd	3:00 p.m
Lv Seattle	1:30 a.m	Ar Seattle	6:30 p.m
Ar Pt. Towns'd	5:30 a.m	(Change Boat.)	
Lv Pt. Towns'd	6:0 a.m	Lv Seattle	6:15 p.m
Ar Victoria	9:30 a.m	Ar Tacoma,	9:15 p.m

TACOMA--SEATTLE ROUTE. Daily except Sundays

Leave Tacoma	8:00 a.m.	3:00 p.m.	7:30 p.m
Arrive Seattle	10:30 a.m.	5:30 p.m.	10:00 p.m
Leave Seattle	1:30 a.m.	11:30 a.m.	6:15 p.m
Arrive Tacoma	4:00 a.m.	2:00 p.m.	9.15 p.m

Sunday Schedule between Tacoma and Seattle.
(ONLY TWO TRIPS.)

Lv Tacoma for Seattle at 8:00 a.m. and 7:30 p.m
Lv Seattle for Tacoma at 1:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m

OLYMPIA AND SEATTLE ROUTE.
DAILY EXCEPT SUNDAY.

Lv Seattle	1:30 a. m.	Lv Olympia	1:00 p. m.
Ar Tacoma	4:00 a. m.	Lv Steilacoom	3:00 p. m.
Lv Tacoma	7:30 a. m.	Ar Tacoma	4:30 p. m.
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Ar Olympia	11:00 a. m.	Ar Seattle	10:00 p.m.

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Time Table No. 10, Takes Effect Nov. 1st, 1888

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FOR PLUMPER PASS,
Monday, at 13 o'clock.

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The Colonist.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 25, 1888.

SHIPPING.

ENTERED.

December 24th—
Str. Cariboo Fly, Fort Simpson.
Str. Heave, Alberni.
Str. Alexander, Nanaimo.

CLEARED.

December 24th—
Str. Umatilla, Port Townsend.
Str. Princess Louise, Vancouver.
Str. Olympian, Port Townsend.
Str. Hope, Cape Mudge.

CONSIGNEES.

Per Steamer UMATILLA from San Francisco.—A Lawrence, A Ohlson, Ames Holden and Co, Alb Iron Works, Angus and Gordon, Anderson Bros, Brackman and Ker, Braden and Stamford, C W Rogers, Colbert and Warner, Carne and Munsie, D H Ross and Co, Decker and Smith, E B Marvin and Co, E G Prior and Co, Fell and Co, F Norris, F S Barnard, H C Cosgrove, G A Renght, Geo Morrison, Henderson Bros, Him Yick, H Shaw, H Young and Co, Hud Bay Co, J C Devlin, J & A Clearihue, J Barnsley, John Leahy, J Weiler, Langley & Co, M H Atherton, M Bantley, Marvin and Tilton, Mee Ying Lung, Mah Poy, Munroe Miller, M A De Candia, P Kohlberg and Co, Order J M Pierre, notify F L Tuckfield, P McQuade and Co, Quong Hi Lung, R T Williams, Redgrave and Ella, R Porter and Co, S J Pitts, S Leiser, Sing Lee, Sue Wo Lung, T Earle, T Shotbolt, T N Hibben and Co, Tai Fang, Tong Lee, Van Volkenburgh Bros, Vair and Brooks, W Mable, Welch Rithet and Co, W Heathorn, W G Cameron, Wells Fargo and Co, Yuen Lung.

Per Steamer OLYMPIAN from Puget Sound. Angus and Gordon, W R Johnson, Brackman and Ker, Van Volkenburgh Bros, Jno Weiler, T N Hibben, W Kerr, Croft and Angus, A Summerhays, S J Pitts.

BIRTH.

CUTHBERT—On Dec. 15th, John Cuthbert, of Balmoral, Skeena River; aged 43 years.

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Gloves, in all styles, are to be had at the Lansdowne House, Yates street. New stock just to hand. tf

PREPARE for the New Year by purchasing Lett's Office and Canadian Pocket Diaries, at T. N. HIBBEN & Co's. *

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Fischer Pianos at Waitt's Music Store.*

LOCAL AND PROVINCIAL.

Christmas Prayer Service.

This morning at nine o'clock there will be a Christmas prayer service at the rooms of the Young Men's Christian Association conducted by Mr. A. Barnsley. All men are cordially invited.

A Handsome Xmas Present.

A pair of fine kid or embroidered Slippers for ladies or gentlemen. For assortment, quality and price, just take a look at the supply at H. Mansell's. 1w

City Police Court.

In this court, yesterday, J. W. Martin, summoned for driving over Rock Bay bridge at a pace faster than a walk, was remanded until to-morrow. Two Indian drunks were assessed $5 a piece, and the court adjourned until after Christmas.

Christmas in the Provincial Jail.

Christmas being essentially a season of "peace and good will to all men," even the unfortunate prisoners in the provincial jail will participate in the general rejoicing of to-day, being treated to a good old-fashioned Christmas dinner, with plenty of roast beef and plum pudding.

The Late John Cuthbert.

The body of the late John Cuthbert, who died in Toronto on the 5th inst., arrived by the Yosemite last evening for interment in this city. Mr. C. Hayward has charge of the funeral arrangements, which will take place on Wednesday from the residence of Mr. W. H. Smith, Cook street.

A New Townsite.

On the strength of the proposed railway which has lately been surveyed from Ladner's Landing, as a centre, to Westminster, Vancouver and other points on the coast, and which is ultimately expected to reach Victoria, the people of Ladner's have decided to portion their land into town lots and hold a public auction sale in the near future.

Funeral.

The remains of the late Mrs. Mary Sullivan were interred in Ross Bay cemetery yesterday morning. Requiem mass was celebrated at the pro cathedral by Rev. Father Van Nevel, Rev. Father Mandart officiating at the grave. Following were the pall-bearers: M. McTeirnan, Geo. Winter, John Walsh, John Fitzallan, Geo. Doughty and B. McGuire.

Improvements at the Park.

In referring to the improvements at the park, the credit for the same was in error given to Mr. Webb, caretaker, who is now absent in England. It is Mr. Edwin Wagg, assistant park-keeper, who is entitled to all the praise for the really excellent work done. He was engaged up to a late hour last evening connecting the water in order that the miniature lake might be filled to-day.

Provincial Police Court.

In this court, yesterday, before Justices Ward and Langley, Flora Macdonald, a Chemainus Indian, was fined $50 for being in possession of an intoxicant on the Songish reserve. Flora paid the fine promptly. The arrest was made by Constable Lewis and Private Detective Dunstan. The Chinaman who supplied the liquor to the Indian was sent to jail for six months without the option of a fine.

Car Building in Victoria.

Twenty flat cars are now under construction for the Island railway at the shops at Russell's Station. They will aggregate $12,000. The coaches were all re-painted a short time ago at a cost of $3,000. As soon as the reserve question is definitely settled, it is understood that extensive workshops and bunkers will be erected on the reserve, besides large coal bunkers for supplying the city and steamer trade.

Carols at the Cathedral.

On Sunday evening the Cathedral choir, under the leadership of Mr. Herbert Kent, sang old English carols. As a notice of this had appeared in THE COLONIST a large congregation assembled, testifying to the strong affection felt for the old customs of the mother country. The carols were very effectively rendered and were evidently much appreciated. Of the five, "The Three Kings of the Orient," "Good King Wenceslas," and "Christ was born on Christmas Day," were the most effective. The first of these is particularly pleasing, and was sung on this occasion for the first time. In a short address preceding the carols, Rev. A. Beanlands explained their object and place, in the worship of the church.

Too Muchee Sunday Work.

An amusing incident of the impressions made upon the Chinese mind by Christian teaching may be gathered from the following: A well-known clergyman employed a China boy to assist in the kitchen, and Sunday being the former's heaviest day of labor, there was naturally plenty of work on that day in the culinary department. It was the first Sunday the Celestial had been in the house and after the dishes had been cleared and cleansed from the afternoon dinner, Ah Got went over to Chinatown, but failed to return. He had learned a little English and writing in the mission school, and left the following note on the kitchen table: "Too much Sunday work no good. I go. Lamb of God. China Boy." He had appropriated the literal meaning of the third commandment.

Ain't They Tame?

Two of the crew of the new steamer Islander, becoming possessed of a longing to go a-hunting on Sunday morning, possessed themselves of a brace of guns and visited Esquimalt in search of ducks. Leaving the village behind them, they trudged on for a mile or more, when they espied a number of the feathered beauties, as they imagined, resting on the water. Creeping cautiously upon their prey, they prepared to annihilate them, and both took good aim and fired. None flew, and somewhat surprised, they reloaded, with the double exclamation, "Lor', ain't they tame?" After the second shot they discovered that their game, while it could float, could not fly, and an adjournment was taken in disgust, the very amateur marksmen having come to the conclusion that decoy ducks, in some cases, are fully as deceitful as riches.

The Steamer "Islander."

In several of the churches on Sunday the ministers deprecated the fact that the Islander was to be used for an excursion on Sunday next. Petitions against it were circulated for signature and numerously signed. The conclusion reached in the question is not correct. The Islander will take the regular service on that day between this city and Vancouver, and in order to accommodate the many who desire to take passage by her on the initial trip the hour of sailing has been delayed until seven o'clock. The steamer will be continued regularly on the route afterwards, and will be a vast improvement on the present service, for which all who are compelled to travel, or take a trip for recreation, will be truly thankful. As the *Standard* remarked, there are more hurtful and glaring evils in the city than a Sunday excursion, and a good solid front of the pulpit presented against them will be backed up by the press and all respectable citizens, who see no harm in traveling on a Sunday.

Christmas.

THE COLONIST staff, from editor to devil, will celebrate Christmas by a suspension of business, and in consequence no paper will be issued from this office to-morrow morning.

Cakes and Ale.

THE COLONIST newspaper staff welcomed in Christmas morning by quaffing good old English ale and excellent cake, the former provided by Angus & Gordon, and the latter donated by mine host, Young, of the New England Restaurant.—Thanks!

Christmas Waits.

The old-time custom of singing Christmas carols by the waits, was indulged in last evening, in the neighborhood of upper Fort street and Cadboro Bay road. The singers were kindly received and well treated by the neighbors.

Sent East for Interment.

The remains of the late George Taylor were sent east on Sunday morning. The body will be buried in the family burying ground at Port Huron, Michigan. The remains of the late Dr. J. W. Hall were placed on board the Vancouver steamer yesterday, and will be forwarded to Ontario for burial.

The Season's Greetings.

THE COLONIST last night sent Christmas greetings to its provincial and eastern contemporaries, and received in return compliments of the season from the *Free Press* and *Courier* of Nanaimo, the *World* and *News-Advertiser* of Vancouver, the *Call* and *Free Press* of Winnipeg, and THE COLONIST correspondent at Ottawa.

A Handsome Pulpit.

The old pulpit in St. John's church has disappeared, and on Sunday last the new one, of elegant modern design, took its place. It is of light, open work, circular in form, and rests on a substantial centre pillar of solid oak. The body is of oak, highly polished; while the trimmings and reliefs are in mahogany. The bible stand is a slab of polished brass, resting upon the end of a sliding rod, which admits of the stand being raised or lowered to suit the convenience of the reader. The whole is magnificently polished, and is one of the finest pulpits to be found in any city on the coast.

Christmas Eve in Victoria.

A walk through the principal streets of our city on Christmas Eve is an unusual treat, which it is worth while waiting for a year to enjoy. Last evening almost everybody availed themselves of the opportunity of seeing our business houses at their very best, and from early evening until ten o'clock the thoroughfares were crowded by two steady streams of humanity flowing in opposite directions. Old men and young men, old women and very pretty young women, hurried along or sauntered slowly by to gaze with pleasure at the beautifully arranged windows, the illuminations and the other attractions of the Christmas display. The stores were crowded, and almost every person on the crowded streets carried two or more—generally more—parcels of all shapes, sizes and descriptions, the mysterious packages being held tightly and carefully, and the holder ever and again casting an anxious look at the treasures tucked carfully away under his or her arm. One of the most noticeable features of the busy night was that everyone of the many on the streets, was orderly, quiet and apparently in the best of good humor with himself and all the world. It would be difficult to estimate the amount of business done in the single day. In fact, were the exact figures given, it would be hard to convince the residents of many other cities that they were correct. Probably no city of the same size and population on the American continent, has seen so much money change hands in the legitimate process of trade as the Queen City, on Christmas Eve, 1888. Everyone apparently seemed to recognize the truth of the Bible quotation, "'Tis more blessed to give than to receive."

TOWN TOPICS TERSELY TOLD.

Local and General Happenings Gathered up and Presented in Readable Shape.

The Islander came out of the dry dock yesterday.

Three snowslides occurred near Field last week, obstructing the track but doing little damage.

Special Christmas services will be held in each of the Episcopalian churches this morning, at 11 o'clock.

Messrs. A. Gregg & Son have placed on the editorial table a couple of very handsome calendars for 1889.

The Choral Society will not meet for practice until Wednesday evening, January 2nd, 1889, when a full attendance is requested.

On and after January 1st, 1889, Lewis Hall, D. D. S., will occupy dental rooms in the Craft & Norris block, Douglas street.

The sound of the merry sleigh bells was heard in the land last evening, an enterprising hackman having decorated especially for Christmas.

The water pipe in front of the new law courts was burst by the frost early yesterday morning, and all day yesterday a stream of water was running to waste.

M, and L. Young, of the New England Bakery, have sent out this Christmas some remarkably large iced cakes of an artistic pattern. They report a largely increased trade this year over any previous.

Mr. W. J. Tippins, of this city, yesterday received the sad intelligence of the death of his father at Kingsland road, London, England. The deceased gentleman had attained the ripe old age of 84 years.

One of the recent deserters from C battery returned to the barracks yesterday, heartily tired of the "land of the free." As he always bore a good character, his fault will be dealt with as leniently as possible.

Elaborate preparations have been made at the leading hotels and restaurants, and to-day the boarders and guests will be furnished with Christmas dinners unexcelled in any other city on the coast.

Since undergoing a cleaning in the dry dock, the steamer Olympian has been found to make much better time. She now leaves Seattle one hour later and arrives here at 9 a. m. as usual.

The sheer-streak around the steamship Batavia has been painted blue instead of white, on account of the death of Sir William Pearce. This is the usual sign of a ship being in mourning.

A young man who had "celebrated" until locomotion was difficult as well as dangerous to himself and all whom he met, created a wild "hurrah" on Quadra street, between Fort and View, at a late hour last night. After assaulting several kindly-disposed Samaritans, who volunteered to help him home, he was escorted to the cells, where he could slumber without opposition.

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And obtain comfort by having a Warm Air Furnace placed in your dwelling. We still have a few on hand. Estimates given on heating churches, schools or stores. — MCLENNAN & MCFEELEY, 16 Fort street. *

For the Ladies.

Miss Crabb, who has just arrived from Boston, wishes to call the attention of the ladies of Victoria to the fact that she has started dressmaking at No. 43 Blanchard street. Persons wishing first-class work will do well to give Miss Crabb a call. 1mo*

A KLEPTOMANIAC

Carries Away Goods at Various Times to the Extent of Over $100 and Buries Them in His Garden—Caught Red-handed.

For the past three or four months Mr. Robert Jamieson, proprietor of the well-known book-store adjoining the postoffice, has been missing books from the store, their mysterious disappearance leading to the suspicion that it was one of his customers, a man of good social standing and hitherto unimpeached character, who was helping himself to the stock. A watch was set upon the suspected customer and a few evenings ago he was seen to pocket a couple of small volumes while making some purchase in the store. As he was going out, one of the clerks politely informed him that Mr. Jamieson would like to see him in the office. Suspecting nothing, he entered the office and was accused of the theft of a large number of books which had been missed from time to time. Indignantly denying the charge he was about to leave the office, when his latest theft was produced from his pocket and he then acknowledged to helping himself to the volumes found on him, but emphatically denied ever stealing before.

Mr. Jamieson and his bookkeeper were unconvinced, however, and insisted on accompanying the culprit to his home, where a thorough search was made, but not one of the missing books found. The bookseller was not yet satisfied, however, and the thief still protesting his innocence, turned and requested his companion to go for a police officer. Seeing that he could "bluff" it out no longer, the kleptomaniac weakened, and, leading the way to the yard, showed where he had buried his stolen treasures, in all over $100 worth of books. They were checked over and every one of the missing volumes identified. Having recovered his goods, Mr. Jamieson determined not to prosecute, as, in his opinion, he is a confirmed kleptomaniac, and not responsible for his actions when in a bookstore. If he is not a kleptomaniac, it would be hard to give any reason for his peculiar crime, as he neither used nor disposed of his plunder, and evidently helped himself to books for the mere pleasure of hoarding them, as a miser does his gold.

THE "WORLD" AT LARGE.

TO THE EDITOR:—The editor of the Vancouver *World* is foolishly dwelling upon a remark of mine, reported in your paper last week, in which I am supposed to have used the words, "the perpetual rain of Vancouver." Now, whether I am responsible for the adjective or not, I cannot say. I know that in a humorous vein I was contrasting the Victoria climate with that of Toronto and the great terminal city. I have not yet heard from the Toronto papers, as to what they thought about my remarks, but evidently the *World* has felt them keenly. If I used the word "perpetual" I hereby withdraw it and substitute the word "occasional," which I am sure will satisfy even the tender feelings of the *World's* editor. I have the kindliest feelings toward Vancouver and hope to see it prosper, and I will take care henceforth never to speak of an umbrella or mackintosh or a shower in connection with it. The editor says it was fine weather when I last visited Vancouver. All I will say on that point is that if he never comes nearer the truth than in that remark his statements will require not a grain but a whole bushel of salt to season them.

I have not experienced for some years so drenching a rainfall as occurred in Vancouver during my last visit, and I have been equally unfortunate on other occasions. However, I have now the *World's* testimony that the weather there is all that could be desired and I have no doubt it will continue so as long as the *World* can control it. I hope that none of your readers may be led to venture any remark of a similar kind, as indeed somebody did the other day, boldly affirming that for one year the difference in the rainfall had been measured and that Vancouver led by 59 inches against Victoria's 23. I only quote that statement to show how thoughtlessly things may be said, that are very ungenerous, to say the least of them, and which, if true, should be carefully hidden from the knowledge of intending immigrants.

Again apologising to the whole world for an unfortunate "lapsis linguæ,"

I am, yours truly,
P. McF. McLEOD.

PERSONAL.

Sir William and Lady Hoste are at the Driard.

H. B. Smith, C. E., of Vancouver, is at the Driard.

John E. Spain, of Seattle, is a guest at the Clarence.

J. W. Rankine, C. E., of Tacoma, is a guest at the Driard.

Percy Whittaker, merchant, of Winnipeg, is at the Clarence.

J. R. Anderson is recovering from a severe attack of typhoid fever.

H. Croft, M. P. P., came down from Chemainus yesterday afternoon.

Jos. Thain, mail agent on the C. P. R., is spending the holidays in Victoria.

M. J. Cunningham, the well-known Tacoma lumberman, is in the city.

M. J. Creighton, of Nanaimo, came down on a Christmas visit yesterday.

John Carthew and bride returned from Comox on Saturday last.

Chas. Rattray, of Toronto, is spending Christmas with his parents in this city.

Gus Hartnagel, of the Driard, returned yesterday from a visit to New York and other Eastern cities.

John Partridge, of the Lansdowne House, reached London on Sunday, 17 days from Victoria, including stoppages.

S. Nesbitt and E. Mallandaine arrived from Vancouver on Sunday morning.

J. C. and Mrs. Keith, of Vancouver, arrived on Sunday night to spend the Christmas holidays in the city.

Chas. G. Johnson, court registrar, Vancouver, and Mrs. Boultbee are spending Christmas in Victoria.

Thornton Goldsby, of Louisiana, arrived yesterday morning and is a guest of E. W. Matthews.

Dr. E. McCord, one of Chicago's leading physicians, and O. W. Bourke are at the Driard.

L. J. Steck, representing Friedlander & Rock, of New York and San Francisco, is at the Driard.

I. B. Fisher, manager of the Bank of British Columbia, New Westminster, is at the Driard.

L. P. Eckstein, of Westminster, came over last evening and leaves for Seattle and Portland on his holidays, this morning.

E. Hume, of San Francisco, is at the Clarence. He will remain in the city for a week.

Viscount Ennismore will remain at St. Joseph's Hospital until Monday next, when, accompanied by his father, the Earl of Listowel, he will return to England.

A Hint to Housekeepers.

Mrs. Robert Williamson, of Glenila, Parry Sound, Ont., says, "I could not keep house without Hagyard's Yellow Oil at hand. I have used it in my family for croup, sore throat, and a cut foot, and can highly recommend it to everybody." tts

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SPORTS AND PASTIMES.

BASEBALL TO-DAY.

While the citizens of the effete east are shivering or shovelling snow for Christmas amusement, and the denizens of Vancouver are employing the holiday in repairing their umbrellas and rubber coats, in preparation for a walk down town, the boys of Victoria propose to enjoy themselves in playing baseball on Beacon Hill. A scratch game is announced to commence at two o'clock, sharp, for a barrel of flour, to be presented to one of the local charities, and paid for by the losing nine.

As far as known, the following players will constitute the teams:—

Jackson	Pitcher	Baker
Hannan	Catcher	Bothwick
Meldrum	1st Base	Partridge
Widdowson	2nd "	G. Gowen
Rudge	3rd "	Geo. Gowen
Deasy	Short Stop	N. Gowen
Duck	Left Field	Beckingham
Sullivan	Right Field	Clyde
Gouge	Centre Field	Burnes.

A Postmaster's Opinion.

"I have great pleasure in certifying to the usefulness of Hagyard's Yellow Oil," writes D. Kavanagh, postmaster, of Umfraville, Ont., "having used it for soreness of the throat, burns, colds, etc., I find nothing equal to it." tts

A Severe Trial.

Frances S. Smith, of Emsdale, Muskoka, writes, "I was troubled with vomiting for two years, and I have vomited as often as five times a day. One bottle of Burdock Blood Bitters cured me." tts

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On 27th, 28th and 29th Dec. next.

Exhibitors who have made entries are requested to bring their exhibits to the Rink early on Wednesday, the 26th instant.
The Exhibition will not be open to the public, or exhibitors, until Thursday at 4 o'clock, p. m.
No specimens received which have not been previously entered, or exhibitors allowed inside the building until the exhibition opens.

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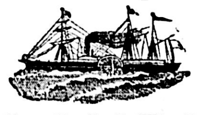

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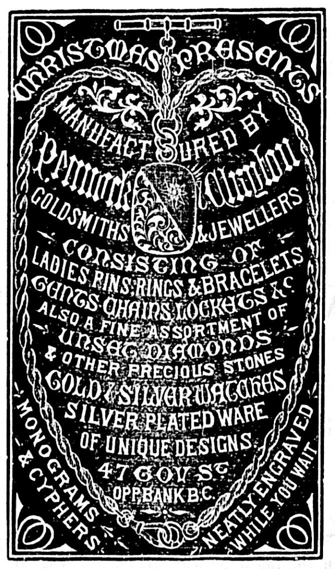

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NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE Second Annual General Meeting of the British Columbia Fire Insurance Company will be held in the Company's Office, 62 Wharf St., on Thursday, January 24, 1889, at 3 p. m., when the Annual Report of the Company will be presented. Members are requested to attend.

M. H. COWAN,
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" "	5 lb.	"	1.75
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ON NEW YEAR'S EVE, AT 10 P.M.,
To which you are all cordially invited; and remember that each and every cash purchase of $2.50 entitles you to a Ticket in the drawing.
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SCOTCH HOUSE

VICTORIA, August 18th, 1888.

I have this day disposed of the stock and good-will of my business to my son W. A. McLEAN and JAMES STEWART, and take this opportunity of thanking the public for their kind patronage so liberally extended to me during my 25 years' experience in business, and trust you will extend the same to my successors.

Yours, respectfully, A. McLEAN.

-:- McLEAN & STEWART, -:-

Successors to A. McLEAN & CO.,

Beg to inform their friends and the public that they have purchased the stock and good-will of the business carried on by A. McLEAN & Co. for the last 25 years, and hope by strict attention to business to merit a share of the patronage so liberally extended to their predecessors.

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